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PATENT  
Docket No.: 28069-603 NATL

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Ubaldo CONTE *et al.* Confirmation No.: 3809  
Serial No. : 10/507,345 Customer No.: 35437  
Filed : March 24, 2005 Art Unit: 1615  
Examiner : Hawes, Pili Asabi  
For : **A System for the Controlled Release of Active Ingredients**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

1. Response to Final Office Action Mailed March 14, 2006 (5 pgs);
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg);
3. Check No. 23072 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover extension fee;
4. Check No. 23073 in the amount of \$790.00 to cover RCE; and
5. Return Postcard.

Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request (this document); 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided is an Amendment and Response. With such a timely filed request, submission and fee, Applicants request that the amendment should be entered and the finality of the Action should be withdrawn.

Applicants also submit a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time along with the required fee. With the extension, these documents are due on or before September 14, 2006.

No additional fees are believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 28069-603NATL. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

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